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Dear Examiner Nguyen,

Please enter the enclosed Amendment of December 20, 2004. If you have any questions, I may be reached at the above telephone number.

Best regards,

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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of September 20, 2004, please amend the application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listings of claims, which begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.